

# Safety and Stewardship Challenge Questions

## CATEGORY #1: Take Care of Yourself

### 1 point

**Bring a water bottle and drink plenty of water because...**

- A ...you will not be able to speak well with a dry throat.
- B ...not drinking enough water can give you a headache and cause you to make bad decisions.
- C ...a heavy water bottle will slow you down as you are walking.
- D All of the above

### 2 points

**If the sun feels warm, you should...**

- A ...try to get a tan.
- B ...use sunglasses, sunscreen, and/or a hat.
- C ...take off your shoes and walk barefoot.
- D All of the above

### 3 points

**Cliff edges in Point Reyes National Seashore are...**

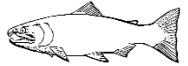
- A ...made of granite and are safe as long as you have one foot flat on the ground at all times.
- B ...sandy, loose, and slippery; be careful at all times.
- C ...safe if you have good balance.
- D ...the best places for a good view.

### 4 points

**The best way to dress for a field trip:**

- A Comfortable close-toed shoes.
- B A t-shirt and a heavy, waterproof jacket.
- C "Like an onion", many thin layers with a waterproof one on the outside.
- D A and C

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## CATEGORY #2: Minimize Your Impact

### 1 point

When visiting Point Reyes National Seashore, you should stay on trails because...

- A ...you are more likely to pick up a tick in grassy areas.
- B ...when you travel off-trail you can damage plants.
- C ...you are speeding up erosion.
- D All of the above

### 2 points

It's okay to take home just one rock from Point Reyes National Seashore...

- A Sure, it's just one, but let your teacher know.
- B No, every rock is home to many bugs and plants.
- C No, with 2.5 million visitors, the Seashore would be rock-less if every visitor collected just one.
- D B and C

### 3 points

Trash is...

- A ...okay to hide behind bushes in a National Park because it will eventually break down.
- B ...not a good source of food for hungry animals.
- C ...not a part of the Point Reyes National Seashore ecosystem and should be properly disposed of whether it's your trash, or trash that someone else accidentally left behind.
- D ...only the responsibility of the maintenance staff, wherever it is.





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## CATEGORY #3: Creek Etiquette

### 1 point

When you're collecting water samples, you should ...

- A ...take a swim in the creek.
- B ...find the deepest part of the creek and wade in by yourself.
- C ...**practice low-impact behavior, by carefully walking out into a shallow section of the creek to collect a sample.**
- D ...have your whole group wade out into the creek and splash around.

### 2 points

Stay at least ...

- A ...2 feet from the creek's edge.
- B ...100 feet from the creek's edge.
- C ...20 feet from the creek's edge.
- D Get as wet and muddy as you want.

### 3 points

The best way to observe coho salmon in the creek is to:

- A Stand quietly on the creek's edge, looking for movement in the stream.
- B Move slowly and try not to cast shadows on the water's surface.
- C Whisper.
- D **All of the above**

### 4 points

Walking near the creek is ...

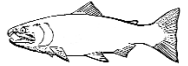
- A ...very slippery because of water and algae growing on rocks.
- B ...solid footing because of sticky mud.
- C ...safe because there isn't usually a long distance to fall.
- D ...the same as walking on a sidewalk.

### 5 points

Disturbing plant life near creeks will ...

- A ...do nothing, there are plenty of plants.
- B ...**disturb some of the natural processes occurring.**
- C ...always kill the plant you disturb.
- D ...keep animals from wanting to eat a plant with human scent.

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## CATEGORY #4: The National Park Service

### 1 point

Which of the following is not in the National Park Service?

- A Grand Canyon National Park, AZ
- B Keweenaw National Historical Park, MI
- C Monterey Bay Aquarium, CA
- D Golden Gate National Recreation Area, CA
- E Yosemite National Park, CA

### 2 points

I should treat Point Reyes National Seashore with respect because ...

- A ... it belongs to everyone in the entire United States.
- B ... it preserves a part of the ecosystem you live in and depend on.
- C ... it's one of the few places natural processes can happen with little intervention from human society.
- D All of the above

### 3 points

Which of the following is the mission of the National Park Service?

- A Preserve natural and cultural resources.
- B Provide for the enjoyment, education, and inspiration of this generation.
- C To care for special places saved by the American people so that all may experience our heritage.
- D Cooperate with other resource-conservation and outdoor-recreation organizations in our country and the world.
- E All of the above

### Bonus for one additional point:

Is the mission of the National Park Service a law? Yes / No

### FINAL CHALLENGE

This question is worth the amount that each team agrees to wager.

**What does stewardship mean?**

Teacher is the final judge on this answer.

